# HOW TO CHECK IDENTIFICATION



# **VALID FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION (ID)**

Check for a valid ID of any person who appears to be under 27. Acceptable forms of ID are:

- passport;
- driver's license with photo from Texas or another state;
- Texas Identification Card; and
- other ID cards issued by a state or the federal government that display the person's photo, name, address, date of birth, physical description and signature.

# FOLLOW THESE EASY GUIDELINES BEFORE SELLING CIGARETTES, E-CIGARETTES OR TOBACCO PRODUCTS!

- **1.** If they present a Texas driver's license or ID card that has a vertical format (shown below) that says "Provisional Driver License," they are under 18. Do not sell them cigarettes, e-cigarettes or tobacco products.
- **2.** Check to make sure your customer is age 18 or older by verifying his or her date of birth (DOB). For example:
  - In 2015, anyone born in 1997, after today's date, is under 18.
  - In 2016, anyone born in 1998, after today's date, is under 18.
  - In 2017, anyone born in 1999, after today's date, is under 18.

- **3.** Do not rush or feel pressured when checking an ID.
- **4.** Look at the picture and make sure it is the person attempting to buy cigarettes, e-cigarettes or tobacco products. If you doubt the ID is valid, ask for the date of birth, address and/or ZIP code. If the person falters on an answer, ask for another form of ID.
- **5.** If you suspect an ID is not valid or if it has expired, do not sell cigarettes, e-cigarettes or tobacco products to that customer.

## **UNDER AGE 18 PROVISIONAL TEXAS ID FORMAT**



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## ADULT TEXAS ID/DRIVER'S LICENSE FORMAT



(VALID UNTIL EXPIRATION DATE)

